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For: RECOMBINANT HERPES SIMPLEX  
VIRAL VECTOR COMPOSITIONS  
(as amended)

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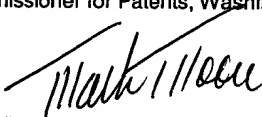
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AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2002, for which the three-month date for response was June 26, 2002. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith. This three-month extension will bring the due date to September 26, 2002, which is within the six-month statutory period. The Assistant Commissioner should consider this paragraph as authorization to withdraw the appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4300.012100.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.